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ppm	ppm: parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)					
ррь	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)					
NA	NA: not applicable					
ND	ND: Not detected					
NR	NR: Monitoring not required, but recommended.					

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MCLG	MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
MCL	MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
TT	TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the leve of a contaminant in drinking water.
AL	AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
Variances and Exemptions	Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.
MRDLG	MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health, MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
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MNR	MNR: Monitored Not Regulated
MPL	MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level

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If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. City of Aberdeen is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

# **Water Quality Data Table**

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, BPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the calendar year of this report. Although many more contaminants were tested, only those substances listed below were found in your water. All sources of drinking water contain some naturally occurring contaminants. At low levels, these substances are generally not harmful in our drinking water. Removing all contaminants would be extremely expensive, and in most cases, would not provide increased protection of public health. A few naturally occurring minerals may actually improve the taste of drinking water and have nutritional value at low levels. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination. As such, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. In this table you will find terms and abbreviations that might not be familiar to you. To help you better understand these terms, we have provided the definitions below the table.

<u>Contaminants</u>	MCLG or MRDLG	TT, or						olation	Typical Source
Disinfectants & Disi	nfectant B	y-Produc	ts 🔆			We will		NAME OF	
(There is convincing	evidence th	at additic	n of á di	sin feot	ant is n	ecessary	tor	ontrol o	of microbial contaminants)
Chlorine (as Cl2) (ppm)	4	4	1.20	0.50		2011	T	No	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) (ppb)	NA	60	0	NA		2011		No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
TTHMs [Total Trihalomethanes] (ppb)	NA	80	0	NA		2011		No	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Inorganie Contamin	ants	M. Ne			magase	d: Dary			
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen] (ppm)	10	10	0.08	0.08	0.0	20	12	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits
Nitrite [measured as Nitrogen] (ppm)	a de la companya de	1	0,02	0.02	0.0	5 20	12	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits

Antimony (ppb)	6	.006	0.0005	0.5	0.0005	2012	No	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder; test addition.
Arsenic (ppb)	0	0.1010	0.0005	0.0005	0.0005	2012	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
Barium (ppm)	2	2	0.05473	0.05473	0.11166 6	2012	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits
Beryllium (ppb)	4	4	0.0005	.0005	.0005	2012	No	Discharge from metal refineries and coal-burning factories; Discharge from electrical, aerospace, and defense industries
Cadmium (ppb)	S	.0055	.0005	.0005	.0005	2012	No	Corrosion of galvanized pipes; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from metal refineries; runoff from waste batteries and paints
Chromium (ppb)	.010	.01	.00249	.00249	.00579	2012	No	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; Erosion of natural deposits
Pluoride (ppm)	4	4	0.1178	0.178	0.325	2012	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
Mercury [Inorganie] (ppb)	.002	.002	0.005	0.005	0.0005	2012	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from refineries and factories; Runoff from landfills; Runoff from cropland
Selenium (ppb)	050،	.0025	0.0025	0.0025	2.0025	2012	No	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines
Thallium (ppb)	NA	.002	0.005	0.005	.0005	2012	No	Discharge from electronics, glass, and Leaching from ore-processing sites; drug factories
Cyanide [as Free Cn] (ppb)	NΛ	0.20	.015	.015	15	2011	No	Discharge from plastic and fertilizer factories; Discharge from steel/metal factories

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ppb	ppb: parts per billion, or micrograms per liter (µg/L)
NA	NA: not applicable
ND	ND: Not detected

Lead - action level at consumer taps (ppb) 0 15 3 2010 0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
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NR	NR: Monitoring not required, but recommended.

inportant Drinking Water Definitions		
Term	Definition	
MCLG	MCLG: Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.	
MCL	MCL: Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.	
TT	TT: Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.	
AL	AL: Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.	
Variances and Exemptions	Variances and Exemptions: State or EPA permission not to meet an MCL or a treatment technique under certain conditions.	
MRDLG	MRDLG: Maximum residual disinfection level goal. The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.	
MRDL	MRDL: Maximum residual disinfectant level. The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.	
MNR	MNR; Monitored Not Regulated	
MPL	MPL: State Assigned Maximum Permissible Level	

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